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The Honorable Carlos Curbelo 1404 Longworth House Office Building United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Danny K. Davis 2159 Rayburn House Office Building United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Representative Curbelo and Representative Davis:

Business Roundtable appreciates your bipartisan efforts to bring more people into the workforce who currently have few skills and lack job experience. Your bill, H.R. 2842, the *Accelerating Individuals into the Workforce Act*, is a thoughtful approach for encouraging companies to hire recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). We are pleased to support it.

Business Roundtable CEOs believe earn-and-learn programs help people become familiar with the workplace, gain needed skills, and earn a wage. In many inner cities, the unemployment rate for young people is distressingly high, but their prospects improve dramatically if they find a first-time job.

By supporting partnerships among business, government, and education to hire TANF recipients, the *Accelerating Individuals into the Workforce Act* will give the unemployed an opportunity to work and succeed.

Sincerely,

Wes Bush

Chair, Education and Workforce Committee

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